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## PETITION UNDER 37 CFR §1.47(a) AND RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

Petitioner requests acceptance of this application in the absence of the signature of one of the inventors, Dr. Waldemar Pfrengle, on the declaration under 37 CFR 1.63.

Enclosed herewith is a declaration for the patent application in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 signed by the all of the inventors except Dr. Pfrengle on behalf of themselves and on behalf of the non-signing inventor.

As proof that the non-signing inventor refuses to sign, petitioner encloses herewith a declaration of Jason D. Voight attesting to the facts that a copy of the application papers was presented to the inventor, but that he did not respond to the request that he sign the oath/declaration.

Upon information and belief after investigation, Dr. Pfrengle's last know address is Stresesmannstr. 56, 88400 Biberach, Germany. At the time this application was filed, Dr. Pfrengle resided at Junkermuehle 1, 55444 Seibersbach, Germany, but he has moved since that date.

A check for \$370 is enclosed to cover the petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h), the surcharge under 37 CFR 1.16(e), and a one-month extension under 37 CFR 1.17(a)(1). 09/17/2002 MBERHE 00000030 09840488

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